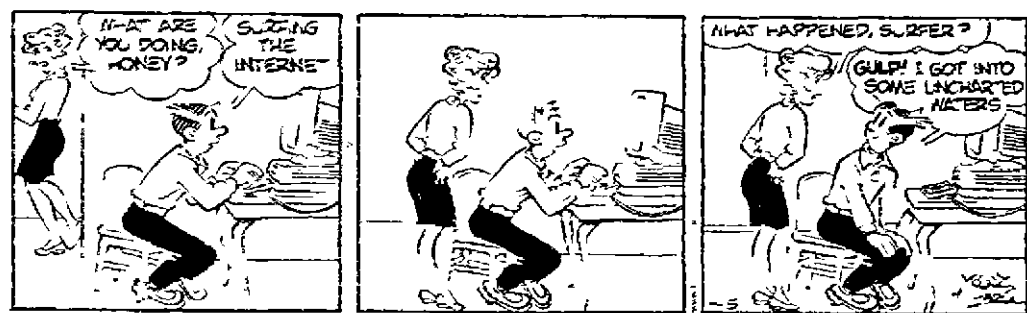
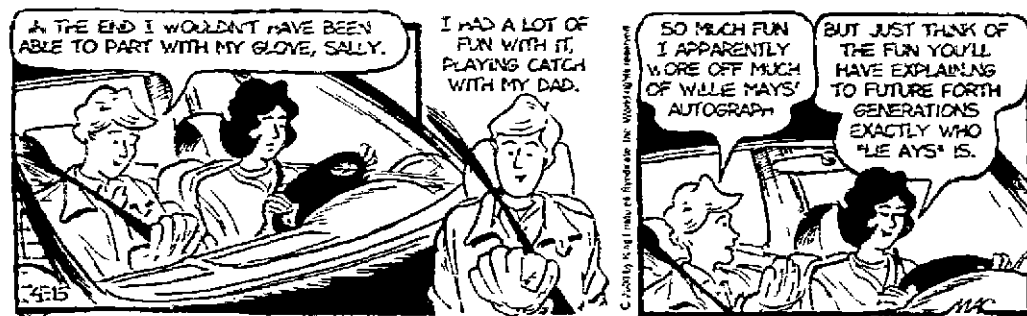


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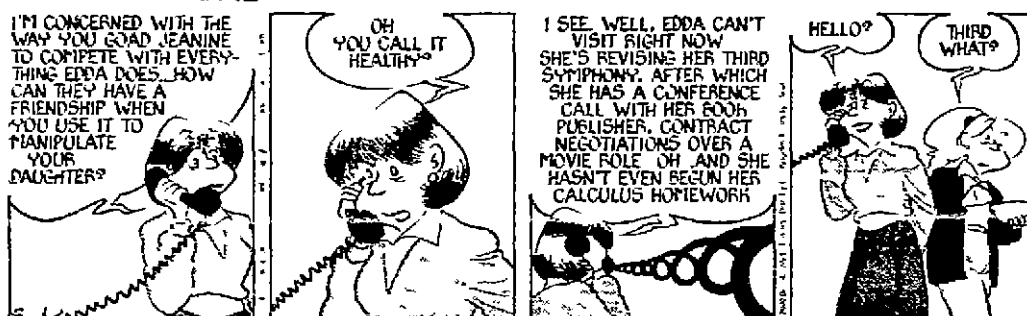
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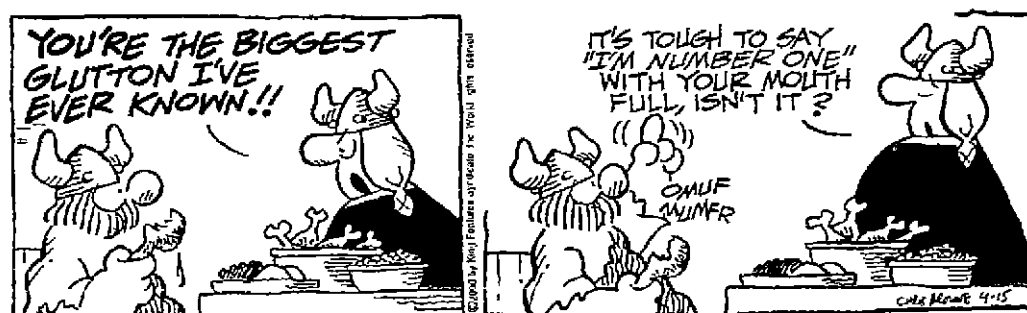
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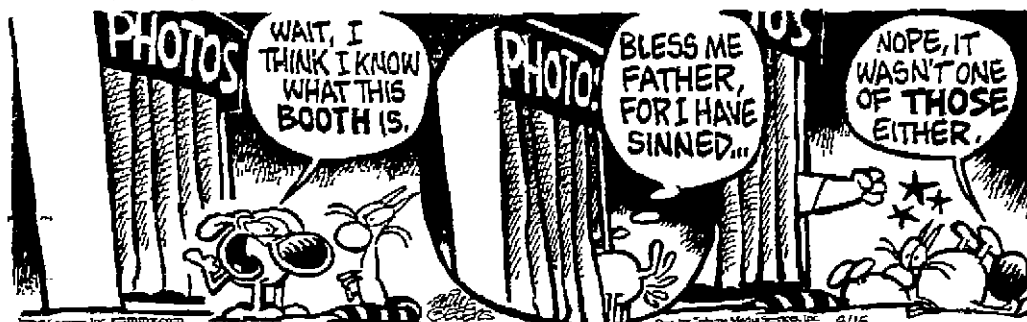
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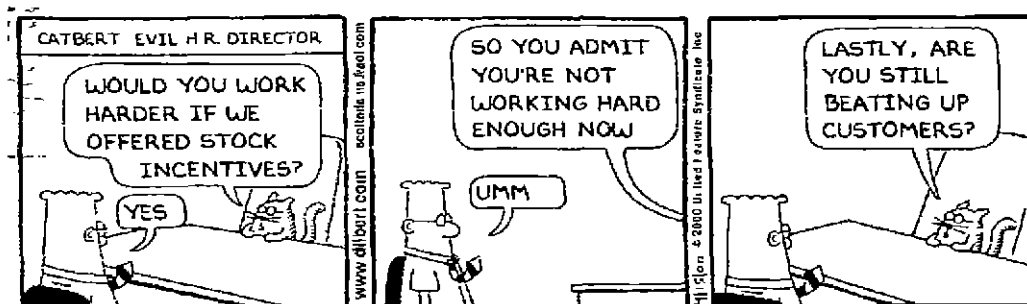
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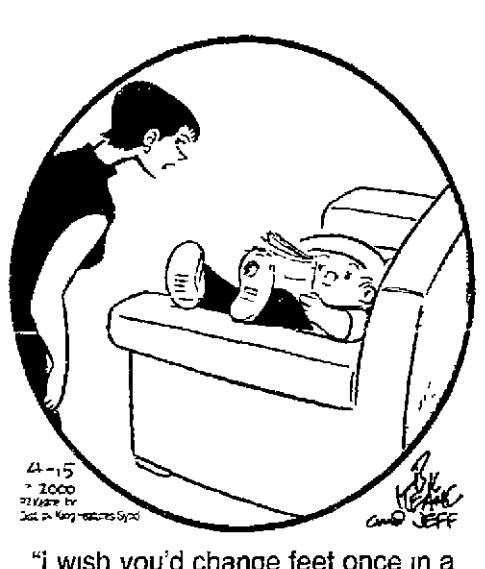
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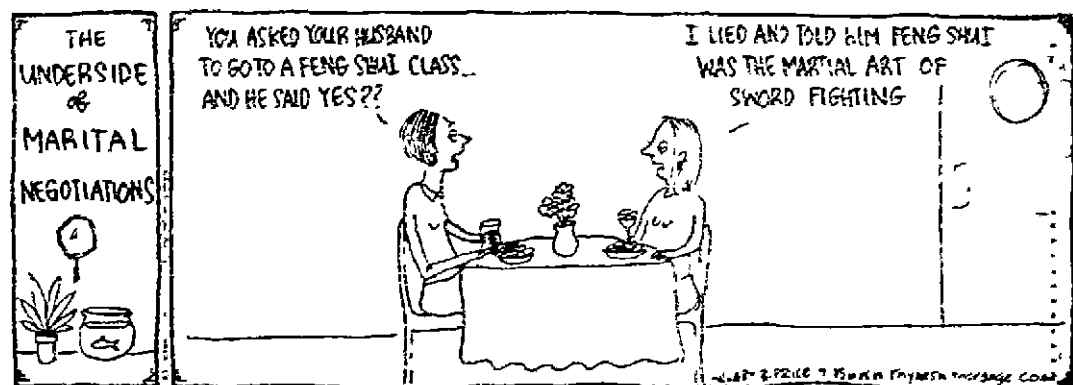
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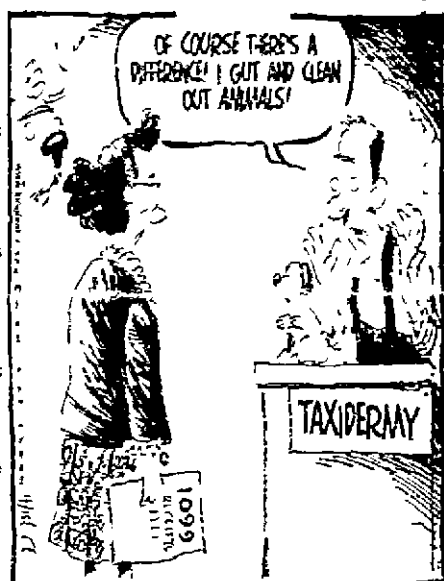
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Today's Birthdays

Actor Michael Ansara is 78
Country singer Roy Clark is 67
Actress Claudia Cardinale is 61
Rock singer-guitarist Dave Edmunds is 56
Actress Lois Chiles is 53
TV producer Linda Bloodworth-Thomason is 52
Actor Michael Tucci is 50
Actress Amy Wright is 50
Columnist Heloise is 49
Actress-screenwriter Emma Thompson is 41
Singer Samantha Fox is 34
Actor Flex is 30

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FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT 20 MIN

PAR SCORE 95-105 by JUDD

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 or 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50 points. 8-letter words get 75 points. 9-letter words get 100 points. 10-letter words get 125 points. 11-letter words get 150 points. 12-letter words get 175 points. 13-letter words get 200 points. 14-letter words get 225 points. 15-letter words get 250 points. 16-letter words get 275 points. 17-letter words get 300 points. 18-letter words get 325 points. 19-letter words get 350 points. 20-letter words get 375 points. 21-letter words get 400 points. 22-letter words get 425 points. 23-letter words get 450 points. 24-letter words get 475 points. 25-letter words get 500 points. 26-letter words get 525 points. 27-letter words get 550 points. 28-letter words get 575 points. 29-letter words get 600 points. 30-letter words get 625 points. 31-letter words get 650 points. 32-letter words get 675 points. 33-letter words get 700 points. 34-letter words get 725 points. 35-letter words get 750 points. 36-letter words 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WORD SLEUTH

HOUSE—

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Friday's unlisted clue: HOUDINI
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Saturday's unlisted clue: A FEMALE SPOUSE
Boat, Broken, Cleaning, Coat, Dressing, Fly, Guest, Hold, Keeper, Members, Mother, Of Windsor, Painter, Plant, Warming

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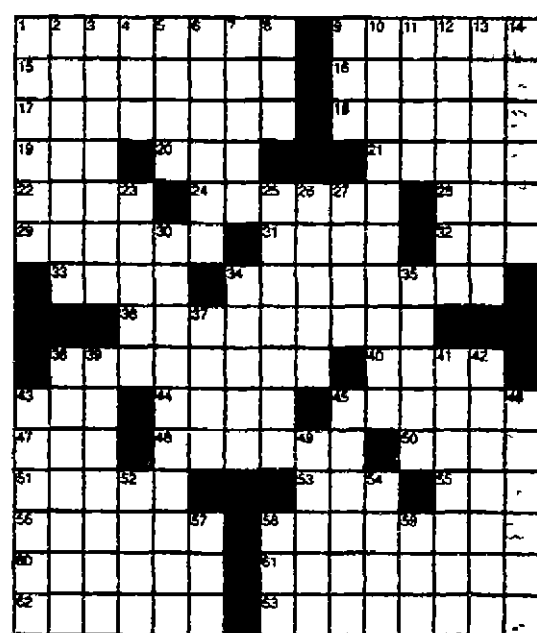
1 Stages
9 Deliver a message
15 Traditional
16 Symbol of authority
17 Denzel
18 Washington role
19 Liquor levy, e.g.
20 "The Martyrdom of" (Muslim classic)
21 Cover letter letters
22 "Great!"
23 Ice breaker
24 Dirty
28 Pnce abbr.
29 Without a break
31 "Mississippi Masala" director
32 When repeated, a laugh
33 "The High Road" novelist
34 Olympic competitor
36 Absorbed
38 They're often seen near thrones
40 M.T.A. employee of
43 Rhin, France
44 Old T-bird features
45 Value
47 Refuge
48 Five-time British Open champ
50 Moved on the ocean?
51 It was formed in Manila in 1954

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

BUSTRIPS GOHOME
ASKABOUT IMAFOG
STEPINTO JIJUNA
SADE PROMISED
AND OVA TEASETS
LEDADWAY BISON
POLLENS OCARTINA
SNEER BONEUP
OPS ODD ESS
SOJOURN LASSO
QUARTILE IRAM
UNDEAD YESANONO
ICEAGE EMERGENT
BEDDED SIXTHREE

DOWN

1 New York/New Jersey's Mountains
2 Having a range of colors
3 Put together
4 Female rap trio with the #1 hit "Waterfalls"
5 Model T alternatives
6 Like the pricker, usually
7 Copy, m a way
8 Kind of roles
9 Parliamentary bngws, for short
10 Dry measures?
11 Female suffix
12 Case for a lawyer
13 Racket
14 Sugar with six carbon atoms
23 "Born Yesterday" playwright



Puzzle by Rich Norris

25 Sway
28 Bygone coins
29 Actress Gray
30 Pandora's box
34 Stretch
35 Extra rining
37 Capital ENE of Fiji
38 Corners carelessly
39 Skeptically
41 "Ally McBeal" lawyer
42 New Year's Eve figure
43 Big-eared pet
45 Access
46 Actress An
49 "Unholy Loves" author
52 Not sloppily
54 Catch
57 Lout
58 Alphabet sequence
59 Powerful D.C. group

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